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## SPECIOLO UROWTH OF FOREMOST SCOTTISH ORDER, ROYAL CLAN, O. S.

The twenty-fourth convention of the that one secretary and treasurer's reboyal Clan, Order of Scottish Clans has been and gone and to most of ering.

those who met and parted will ever The Reports were both adopted. those who met and parted will ever remain a pleasant memory. Apart altogether from the social side it was a most enjoyable and memorable meetwho extended a hearty welcome to the heather to greet their "brithers Royal Screetary responded after which frac the land a cakes" now located the Royal Clan resumed business. Ac-

the business done by the Scotsmen in the biennial parliament of the frater-nal and benevolent organization known as the Order of Scottish Clans. The Royal Clan convention in Manchester, N. H., was called to order at 10 a. m., Aug. 17 in Odd Fellows' Hall by Royal Chief Join Hill. All of the Royal officers were present except Royal Counsellor J. B. Meikle, Seattle Washington who send a letter service. Washington, who sent a letter saying that as he was Commissioner General of the Alaskan-Yukon Exposition he found it impossible to be present. The office was vacant through the convention until the election of officers. The Committee on Credentials and Returns was declared and is at once proceeded



examine the credentials of the de egates. After the report of the com-mittee, what was said to be the lar-gest class of delegates in the history gest class of delegates in the history of the Clan received the Royal Clan

by, Fall River, Mass.; John Irvine, Press and Printing:-James McMaster, Elizabeth, N. J.; John Japp, Bridgeport, Conn.; Thomas H. Hudson,

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State of the Order:—William Gardner, Chicago, Ill.; Andrew Wallace,
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Auditor:—Gideon M. Mansfield, Boston, Mass.

Assistant Royal Secretary:-A. D. MacKinnon, Hartford, Conn. Mackinnon, Hartford, Conn.

After the appointments had been read the Royal Chief made a few remarks on the responsibility of the works of the committees and urged them to get together and get busy as soon as possible. The report of the Royal Chief which will be incorporated in full in the minutes along with the reports of the other Royal officers, reviewed the work of the past five reviewed the work of the past five years and summed up that the order comprehensively speaking has done well. He touched briefly on new ques-tions which would come before the tions which would come before the convention, the old age benefit



accordance with the history of each Clan. This was adopted.

The afternoon session was called to order at 2 o'clcck.

The most important piece of business brought up and discussed at this session was the old age benefits scheme promulgated by the Massachusetts Clans. After quite a lengthy discussion it was decided that a committee be appointed to investigate the matter thoroughly and report at the officers of the Royal Deputies and the officers of the Royal executive. The report of the Royal executive the officers of the Royal executive. The report of the Royal executive the matter thoroughly and report at the publication of the exercise of the room with a committee of the addition of two degrees to the report of the addition of two degrees to the report exercise of the room with a bagpipe solo.

Of course every housewife has heard of Amoskeag

port a year was an item worth consid-

all over the east and middle west of both this country and Canada. In fact in many respects it may have been said to be an international convention since many of the delegates came from the land of the myrtle leaf. Business first and pleasure after so we will give as best we can an account of the business done by the Sections is leafly the surface of the surface and the Royal Clan resumed business. According to custom the reports of the other Royal Clan resumed business. According to custom the reports of the other Royal Clan resumed business. According to custom the reports of the other Royal Clan resumed business. According to custom the reports of the other Royal Clan resumed business. According to custom the reports of the other Royal Clan resumed business. According to custom the reports of the other Royal Clan resumed business. According to custom the reports of the other Royal Clan resumed business. According to custom the reports of the other Royal Officers were adopted as read. A resolution was adopted that the rules governing the convention be the same as in previous years namely meet at 9 a.m., speches be restricted to five minutes and that future sessions be conducted on the subordinate clan depend on the rules governing the convention be the same as in previous years namely meet at 9 a.m., speches be restricted to five minutes and that future sessions be conducted on the subordinate convention between the rules governing the convention be the same as in previous years namely meet at 9 a.m., speches be restricted to five minutes and that future sessions be conducted on the subordinate convention between the rules governing the convention between the rules govern lutions were read and remitted to the proper committees. These will be dis-cussed under reports of committees. The convention adjourned at 1 p. m. and the standing committees met and

formed their various plans of work. Wednesday.—The Royal Chief called the convention to order at 9 a. m. The minutes of previous session read and approved. The committee on State of the order submitted a partial report condemning the dissemination of unauthorized circulars, &c., from one clan to another but, that this does not refer to clan business such as games picnics or entertainments, Adopted. The committee recommended the ap-

The committee recommended the appropriation of a sufficient sum of money to be expended for missionary purposes. This precipitated one of the most interesting debates of the convention, Dr. Macdonald putting up an earnest appeal for help from Northwest Canada and William Mackenzie of Portland, Ore., (a former Bridge porter) pleading the cause of the Pacific Coast. Other good speakers followed all agreeing that there was need of more money for missionary work. The Royal Chief assured them they would get all the missionary work they thought they could afford to pay for. The report was adopted as a whole. The committee on bequeathments submitted a full report. The amendment to the constitution queathments submitted a full report. The amendment to the constitution restricting the funeral expenses of a clansman buried by his clan, to \$150.00 was submitted and raised a good discussion. The committee concurred in adopting the amendment. An amendment to the amendment making the sum \$100.00 was finally adopted by the Royal Clan. Your delegate voted in the minority considering \$100.00 too meagre a sum for such a purpose. A resolution from Clan Fraser, San Francisco relative to an increase of the rates was summarily disposed of. The matter was not pressed by the delegate owing to the strong feeling expressed against it. The report was adopted.

Owing to the heavy rain it was de-

Owing to the heavy rain it was de-ided to hold an afternoon session but this was afterwards changed to suit the plans of the local clan. The Royal Clan met at 3 o'clock and immediately adjourned till 9 o'clock Thursday

gest class of delegates in the history of the Clan received the Royal Clan degree. The appointment of Standing Committees by the Royal Executive was as follows:

Credentials and Returns: — Peter Kerr, Boston, Mass.; William Sowersby, Fall River, Mass.; John Irvine.



Past Chief Duncan Urquhart

fore the clan of which he is a member was formed, although he was a clans-man at the time. The other appeal was not sustained. Cambridge, Mass., was finally disposed after considerable discussion. The injunction of 1905 was repealed and the clans will hereafter meet in the

the clans will herearter and place.

The report was adopted.
The Committee on Constitution made a partial report.

The amendment to elect the Minor Royal officers was rejected. The amendment relating to the appointment of a permanent Royal Assistamendment relating to the appointment of a permanent Royal Assistant Secretary was rejected. The amendment that the fees of the Royal physician be paid by the Royal Clan was negatived and the proposal that the Royal physician must state his reason for rejection of a candidate was modified that he shall so state to the local clan physician and he in turn shall use his discretion about telling clan or the candidate was passed. The move to increase the per capita Tax move to increase the per capita Tax failed as also did the amendment for the loss of bequeathment following an arrearage of over one month in dues. The proposition to grade the dues. The proposition to grade the bequesthment to so much per centage for a certain time was lost but the emergency amendment allowing the more representation of its sent whenever the Clans did gather in this city again, it would be to find it a city, no longer of 70,000, but of 200,000 heater and is about seven miles from Royal Clan to declare any law in force by a two-third vote from and after its passsage was adopted without dissent. Clansmen may wear full regalia to church parade if they so desire. The Royal Clan did not adopt the amendment to declare past delegates eligible for office in the Royal Clan. The amendment from Clan Gordon, Barre, Vt., relating to Clansmen moving to a distance from their, home clan and paying their dues and assessments through the nearest local secretaries aroused quife a discussion but the committee finding of non-concurrence was sustained by the Royal Clan.

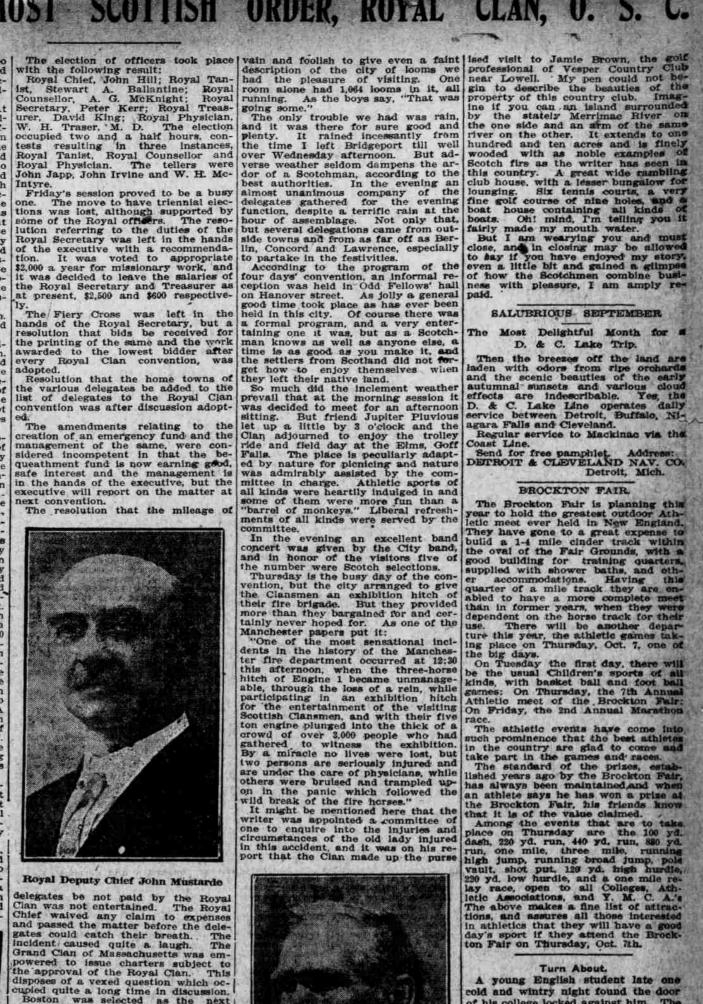
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powered to issue charters subject to the approval of the Royal Clan. This disposes of a vexed question which oc-

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Boston was selected as the next
meeting place of the Royal Clan, beating out Chicago.

The usual resolutions of the Press
and Printing committee occupied the
center of the floor during the closing
exercises of the conventions

exercises of the convention.

At an exhibition hitch of the fire brigade on Thursday, two of the firemen and an old lady got injured. Resolutions of sympathy were adopted and from a report from a member of this committee the Royal Cian made up a purse of \$66 for the old lady which was presented through the Powel Traceurer. presented through the Royal Treasurer with suitable resolutions. Resolutions of thanks to all who had

Resolutions of thanks to all who had entertained the delegates were adopted with acclamation. On the suggestion of the Royal Chief a rising vote of thanks was given to the various committees. Two songs by Miss Mary Ogilvie and the singing of "Aud Lang Syne" followed by a justy three times three brought the twenty-fourth convention to a close.

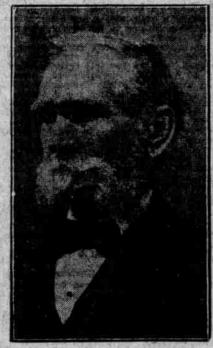
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"Manchester is a home-loving, homeowing city of over 75 600 population."

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owing city, of over 75,000 population. It is my estimate that over one-third of all our people here gain their live-lihood by employment in our shops and factories. The Amoskeag company is now erecting a new factory, which, when completed, will furnish employment to 5,000 additional working people, and we figure that that will cause an increase in our population of at least 10,000.

"If, when you leave this city, you find that the hospitality of its people has been what I have predicted, I hope you will say a kind word, wherever you go, about the city of Manchester."

Royal Chief John Hill responded to the welcome of the Mayor and briefly expressed his appreciation of its sentiment. He said that he hoped that whenever the Clans did gather in this city, no longer of 70,000, but of 200,000 population.

Royal Secretary Peter Kerr followed Mr. Hill with a brief speech. He spoke of the beauty of the Granite State and of the part which Scotchmen and their descendants had in settling the various parts of it.

"It is rather as descendants return-

A young English student late one cold and wintry night found the door of his college locked against him. The young man outside argued with the loorkeeper inside, cajoled and entreatslipped half a sovereign under the de and was admitted. It was a financial deal wisely thought out on strict busi-aess lines. Once inside, he informed the janitor (falsely) that, unfortunately, after taking the half sovereign out of his purse he had dropped the purse itself on the doorstep. The attendant went out to secure it, but once on the chilly, wet doorstep the door was slammed. Then the deal was repeated, for lowed into his warm abode until he had slipped the half sovereign back

again.

Thoroughly Prepared. At a religious service in Scotland the late Lord Kelvin noticed a youngster accompanying his grandparents and

At the close of the service Lord Kelvin congratulated the grandfather upon the excellence of the young man's

behavior. "Och, aye," returned the veteran "Duncan's weel threatened afore by gangs in."

Beauty and Brains

This slab of soil they call Kansas has more prosperity, health and happiness, more sweet girls and sweeter mothers-in-law and more gimlet faced, fiail handed, mushroom footed men who make up in brains what they lack in looks than any other place on tor It of earth. Mizpah!-Hutchinson (Kan.)

In Perfect Innocence. The Beauty (turning from a long gaze in the mirror)—I do envy you! The Friend (pleased, but incredulous)—You envy me, my dear! I wonder why. The Beauty-Because you can see the real me. I can never see anything but the mere reflection.—London Punch.

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